



Savvy Pest Control Ltd.

Post Bed Bug Spraying Treatment Guidelines

Immediate actions:

- When returning, the first step is to ventilate the premises for 15 minutes before staying inside. After this you can get back to the premises but keep ventilation for two more hours. This can be done by opening windows and doors, or through use of air exchange/ventilation systems.
- Avoid touching treated areas
- Do not wash any of the baseboards and bed frames for at least 6 weeks
- Kitchen counter tops, cutting boards, and fridge and stove top should be washed with soap and warm water prior to placing any items back
- Do not walk barefoot in the premises for 24 hours post-treatment

Preventive actions to avoid infestation recurrence:

- Vacuum along baseboards regularly (use crevice nozzle to get into corners and cracks)
- Vacuum seams of box springs, mattresses and living room furniture
- Regular vacuuming should be done
- Reduce clutter in your home
- Do not spray any insecticide unless done by a pesticide professional
- Be mindful that bed bugs may be introduced into your premises when bringing home used furniture
- Be mindful that bed bugs may be brought in your clothing after visiting or staying in infested places (e.g. hotels)

Since 1 or 2 extra pesticides treatments MAY BE required, we recommend avoiding unpacking your belongings for a period of at least 6 weeks.

According to Alberta Health Services, it is recommended to use mattress and box spring encasement covers, along with bed leg and furniture leg interceptors. If you are interested in implementing this recommendation, please ask Savvy Pest Control Ltd.

It is highly recommended to use both bed bug detectors and bed leg interceptors in order to monitor the progress of the insecticide spraying treatment. These devices may be installed 1-2 weeks after the last insecticide application (ask Savvy Pest Control Ltd. about when to install the detectors and interceptors since this may vary). If no bed bugs are trapped after 3-4 weeks from the detectors and interceptors installation (the length of this period may change for certain types of detectors, therefore please ask Savvy Pest Control Ltd. for recommendations), then no further insecticide application is required. Nevertheless, a good preventive measure is to inspect existing bed leg interceptors and to place bed bug detectors every 2 - 3 months after an infestation has been controlled, particularly in buildings with a history of bed bug issues. If you are interested in using bed bug detectors and bed leg interceptors, please ask Savvy Pest Control Ltd.

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